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Applicants: NABATAME et al

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For: Semiconductor Device And Manufacturing Method Thereof

Art Unit: 2812

Examiner: J. Kennedy

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION

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Sir:

This is in response to the final Office Action mailed July 30, 2003, in connection with the above-identified application, a notice of appeal having been filed on January 30, 2004. The amendments are listed below and set forth on the following pages.

Amendments to the Claims; and

Remarks are included following the amendments.